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Ahead of taking charge as State BJP Chief on Nov. 15...

B.Y. Vijayendra meets Bommai, S.M. Krishna, H.D. Deve Gowda

Bengaluru, Nov. 13 (KMS& DM)- Ahead of his taking over as the State BJP President from the incumbent President Nalin Kumar Kateel on Nov. 15, Shikaripur MLA B.Y. Vijayendra, the son of senior BJP leader and former Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa, met top leaders of the BJP and its coalition partner, the JD(S), at their residences in Bengaluru today.

Vijayendra first met BJP MLA and former Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai at his Bengaluru residence, where the former CM is recuperating after a surgery and sought his co-operation in leading the party to victory in the crucial Lok Sabha (LS) polls to take place in the first half of next year.

Bengaluru MLA Krishnappa, MLC Chalavadi Narayanaswamy and others accompanied Vijayendra.

He later met Janata Dal-Secular (JD-S) Supremo and former Prime Minister H.D. Deve Gowda and sought his support. The former PM is said to have given some tips on leadership and fighting the polls.

Stressing on the need for the re-election of Narendra Modi as the Prime Minister at a time when the country is going through a transitional phase in terms of development and economic growth, Deve Gowda blessed Vijayendra for achieving success in the LS polls.

MLA Krishnappa, former Minister D.C. Thammanna, Hassan MP Prajwal Revanna and others were present on the occasion.

Vijayendra's meeting with the JD(S) Supremo assumes special significance in the backdrop of the BJP and JD(S) deciding to contest the upcoming Lok Sabha polls as a coalition.

The State BJP Chief-designate later met top leader and former Chief Minister S.M. Krishna and sought his guidance and blessings. He was wished success by the veteran leader, who has announced his retirement from active politics.

Vijayendra is likely to meet other top and key leaders and functionaries of the BJP either today evening or tomorrow, before he takes charge as Karnataka BJP President at the BJP State Headquarters in Malleshwaram here on Nov. 15.

Later in the day today, Vijayendra is likely to hold a video-conference with 4-5 District Unit Presidents of the party and discuss the party's organisational matters and the strategy to be adopted for ensuing LS polls.

The Shikaripur MLA is also likely to visit Mysuru on Nov. 19 or Nov. 20.

Meanwhile, scores of BJP leaders and workers from across the State continue to make a beeline to the residence of B.Y. Vijayendra in Bengaluru to wish him on his appointment to the top post of State BJP.

After Hublot watch trouble, Rs. 1.9 crore cot, sofa row hits CM Siddharamaiah

Kumaraswamy

Siddharamaiah

Bengaluru, Nov. 13 (KMS& BCT)- After Chief Minister Siddharamaiah finding himself in the midst of a controversy over his Hublot wristwatch worth Rs. 70 lakh when he was the CM in his first term, he finds himself in a fresh row as JD(S) State Unit President H.D. Kumaraswamy alleged yesterday that a 'Minister' had gifted a cot and two pairs of sofa sets worth Rs. 1.9 crore through his supporters to Siddharamaiah.

The Hublot watch issue too was raised by Kumaraswamy in 2016 where he accused the 'socialist Chief Minister,' his one-time comrade-in-arms, of possessing the most expensive watch. The barb followed insinuations that Siddharamaiah had acquired a penchant for expensive spectacles and fancy footwear.

After the controversy, Siddharamaiah declared the Rs. 70 lakh diamond-studded Hublot Watch a 'State asset' and placed it in the Cabinet Hall at the State Secretariat Vidhana Soudha. The BJP even filed a complaint with the Enforcement Directorate seeking a probe into its origin.

"I have heard that a Minister had gifted a cot and two pairs of sofa sets worth Rs. 1.9 crore through his supporters to Siddharamaiah. This looks like an updated version of the Hublot Watch controversy. Someone has told me about this gift," Kumaraswamy said at a press conference held in Bengaluru on the occasion of Deepavali.

"Siddharamaiah, who often terms me as 'big liar,' must come forward and reveal the truth behind who has gifted him such fanciful items," he demanded.

Kumaraswamy, whose party has joined hands with the BJP, also took a swipe at the Government for carrying out renovation works at Ministers' bungalows and purchasing new cars each worth Rs. 40 lakh instead of tackling the drought situation.

"It's sad to list this Government's priorities," he said. "It has money to purchase new cars for Ministers. The State Government has released Rs. 10 crore already." Kumaraswamy said that the State is going to spend a whopping Rs. 3 crore just to renovate the conference hall in CM's home-office 'Krishna.'

HOLIDAY

*Our offices will remain closed tomorrow on account of **Deepavali.** Hence, there will be no issue of **Star of Mysore** dated 14.11.2023.*

GREETINGS

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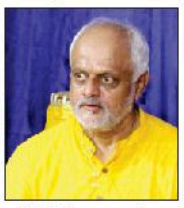
Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Monday 13th November 2023

Vocal concert by Vidushi Vidya Nataraj, Canada



Vidu. Vidya Nataraj *Prithvi Bhaskar* *Vid. Ramanujan* *Vid. Sharath Koushik*

Mysuru, Nov. 13- Sri Thyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust, Mysuru, will be presenting a Karnatak Classical Vocal Concert by Vidu. Vidya Nataraj from Canada at Veene Seshanna Bhavana in Kuvempunagar here on Nov. 16 at 6 pm.

She will be accompanied by Prithvi Bhaskar (disciple of Vid. H.K. Narasimhamurthy) on violin, senior artiste Vid. G.S. Ramanujan on mridanga and Vid. Sharath Koushik (disciple of Vid. Tumkur Ravishankar) on ghata.

Artiste's Profile: Born into a family of renowned classical musicians and musicologists. Vidya Nataraj's life has been soaked in classical music from early childhood days. She has been trained under the strong guidance of her father and guru, the renowned Veena maestro, vocalist and vaggeyakara, Prof. R. Visweswaran.

Vidya's performance career spans over 30 years with her first prodigious professional concert at the age of nine. The first State recipient of the National Talent Search Scholarship for 10 consecutive years, she has received several awards, prizes and accolades from stalwarts and aficionados in the field. An approved and graded vocalist on AIR, Vidya is a musician, a dedicated teacher and has been performing several concerts and feature programmes.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

Self-realisation is possible for the person, whose mind, which is like water, does not have any ripples due to the mental waves of his likes and dislikes. Man wants to realise the Self, but until the emotions of attachment and aversion are overcome, this cannot happen.

Self-realisation can be easy as well as tough. It is easy because it happens as soon as the feelings of attachment and aversion are relinquished. It is difficult because it is not so simple to separate one's self from attachment and aversion. Self-realisation calls for hard work, practising of austerity and purifying of the mind to attain the state of thoughtless mind.

Many people overcome their problems through the practice of meditation and evolve spiritually. There are two types of people: One who lives in the world outside of himself and uses material objects to achieve a false sense of personal fulfilment, and the second kind, who lives within one's Self and consumes material objects only to fulfil basic needs.

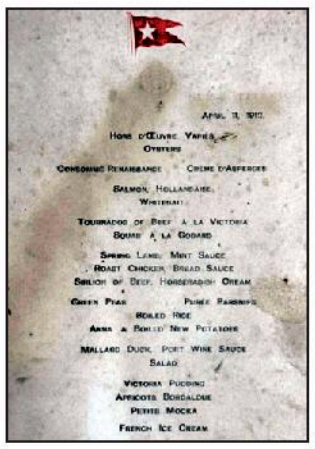
Someone has said it right, intoxicants make the mind or psyche delusional. People engrossed in sensory pleasures like taste, touch, sight, sound and smell are constantly on the lookout for ways to fulfil these desires. They crave different foods, fragrances and vistas. It is natural for people to be delighted when their sensual desires are realised, but such joy is temporary since the next craving may already be sprouting. Such pleasures cannot bring true happiness; it comes only from the satisfaction of giving up or resisting things one typically yearns. Curbing desires also imparts the strength needed to gain control over mind and body.

This slow yet steady process can lead to a state where one recognises the true Self, despite the usual worldly distractions. We need to use worldly things with detachment, develop the state of an observer, purify the mind and try to live a life free from attachment and aversion. If this is achieved, Self-realisation becomes possible. Let's make the best use of our time — for, Self-realisation is possible in human life only.

—Acharya Shri Mahashraman in The Times of India

NEWS SPARKLERS

Titanic's dinner menu auctioned for Rs. 84.5 lakh



London: The first-class dinner menu from the Titanic, which went up for auction on Saturday evening in England, fetched 83,000 pounds (Rs. 84.5 lakh), as reported by The Guardian. The last dinner for first-class passengers on the Titanic, just three days before the ship struck an iceberg on its maiden Atlantic voyage and sank on April 14, 1912, is depicted in the surviving menu that was auctioned.

It was auctioned by Henry Aldridge & Son of Wiltshire, along with other Titanic artifacts, including a tartan deck blanket. Found in a 1960s photo album belonging to Len Stephenson, a community historian in Dominion, the menu is believed by Andrew Aldridge, the auction house manager, to be one of the few surviving first-class menus from that evening.

Dodo relative found at Australian resort

Queensland: Bird experts in Australia are flocking to a Queensland resort to catch a glimpse of a rare visitor: a Nicobar pigeon, the closest living relative of the extinct dodo.

Sue O'Donnell, General Manager of the Green Island Resort, said the bird, dubbed Emerald by employees, has been a frequent visitor in recent days, and has even been seen wandering into rooms while workers are cleaning.

The species, named for India's Nicobar Islands, is native to Southeast Asia, and Golo Maurer, head of BirdLife Australia's Citizen Science Program, said the avian has wandered more than 900 miles from its species' nearest breeding grounds. Maurer said that it's also possible the pigeon was "someone's pet and cut a lucky break."

HEALTH CAPSULE

Keep adequate water intake in early marriage to prevent urinary infections.

By Dr. Shaheen Akhtar - Consultant- Obstetrics And Gynecology
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Life Certificate: Pensioners may avail doorstep services by Postal Dept.

Mysuru, Nov. 13- To enable pensioners to submit Life Certificate, the Department of Posts, Government of India, has made provisions to submit Digital Life Certificate (Jeevan Pramaan) at their doorsteps, said Dr. Angel Raj, Senior Superintendent of Post Offices, Mysuru Division.

In a press release, Dr. Angel Raj has said that in order to avoid problems faced by the pensioners while physical submission of Life Certificate at the Office of pension disbursing agency, Digital Life Certificate facility is being provided to pensioners.

Beneficiaries can submit Digital Life Certificate by providing biometrics along with Aadhaar number, PPO number and their bank account details through the Postman at their doorstep.

The Karnataka State Government Treasury Department has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) coming under Department of Posts, Government of India, for obtaining Digital Life Certificate from pensioners through doorstep services of the Postal Department. Over 5.4 lakh pensioners and family pensioners will be benefited with this service, added Dr. Angel Raj.

Karnataka State Government Pensioners, Family Pensioners and Central Government Pensioners can visit Post Offices or avail Digital Life Certificate facility through the Postman by paying Rs. 70, she added.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM	KABINI DAM	HARANGI DAM
Maximum **124.80 feet**	Maximum **2,284.00 feet**	Maximum **2,859.00 feet**
Today's level **101.66 feet**	Today's level **2,275.80 feet**	Today's level **2,848.86 feet**
Last year's level **123.76 feet**	Last year's level **2,279.03 feet**	Last year's level **2,847.22 feet**
Yesterday's level **101.38 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,275.79 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,848.76 feet**
Today's Inflow **3,741 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **433 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **391 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **979 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **300 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **100 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- *Scientist's discovered the world's oldest flower in 2002 in China. The ancient flower was in bloom, wait for it, around 125 million years ago! Its name is Archaefructus Sinensis and looked like a modern-day water lily.*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Q: What did one hat say to the other?

A: You wait here — I'll go on ahead!

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 83.28
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 101.86
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 22.67
1 Euro	= Rs. 89.00

VOICE OF THE READER

Garbage dumps in Sathagalli: Will MUDA intervene?

Sir,

This is to bring to the attention of the MUDA authorities concerned that there are garbage dumps *(see photo)* piled up in Sathagalli A Zone Layout under MUDA's jurisdiction.

There are around 50 sites in Sathagalli A Zone and the residents/site owners are paying the annual property taxes regularly. So then where is the money going to?

Also, there are no proper street lighting facility in the area though there exists the electric poles.

I request the MUDA Commissioner to intervene and streamline garbage dumping so also have the electric poles fitted with bulbs at the earliest.

— Aggrieved residents
Sathagalli
1.11.2023

English Inter-School Literary Competition held at St. Joseph's Central School

Mysuru, Nov. 13 - Zeal...

Sujatha Rajpal

English Inter-School Literary Competition was inaugurated at St. Joseph's Central School in Vijayanagar here on Nov.11.

Sujatha Rajpal, Freelance writer and author, was the chief guest. Rev. Fr. Vijay Kumar, Secretary, Mysore Diocesan Educational Society (MDES), presided. Joyce Lobo, CEO, St. Joseph's Educational Institutions, was the guest of honour.

The prizes were given along with participation certificates to the students of various schools. The Overall Championship was bagged by Excel Public School, Mysuru.

These competitions were held to inculcate love for literature and encourage reading habit among students.

Excel Public School bags Overall Championship

Use green crackers to check pollution: CM appeals people

Bengaluru, Nov. 13- Chief Minister Siddharamaiah has appealed the people of the State to use only green crackers to avoid fire accidents and check pollution that can complicate the health of patients with respiratory and cardio-related ailments.

Siddharamaiah

Greeting people on the occasion of Deepavali yesterday, he said the festival symbolises the journey from darkness of ignorance to the light of knowledge.

He advised people to be cautious while handling crackers in order to avoid any untoward incident due to carelessness. He also reminded people to use only green crackers.

"The State Government has given permission to use green crackers to check air and sound pollution and fire accidents. Various chemicals used in the crackers lead to many health complications," Siddharamaiah said in a video message.

"The air and sound pollution cause severe health hazard to those suffering from asthma, lung and heart diseases. Birds and animals undergo silent pain. Hence, I appeal to the citizens that they must use only green crackers," he added.

Siddharamaiah's message on crackers came against the backdrop of a major fire in a cracker godown-cum-shop at Attibele, the border town of Karnataka and Tamil Nadu on the outskirts of Bengaluru on Oct.8, which killed 14 people. Every year, many people, especially children get eye injuries while bursting crackers.

Firecrackers mishap during Deepavali

30-bed Ward ready at K.R. Hospital to attend eye and burn injuries

Mysuru, Nov. 13- A Ward with 30-beds is ready to attend any cases of eye and burn injuries due to bursting of crackers during Deepavali festival, according to Dean and Director of Mysore Medical College and Research Institute (MMC&RI) Dr. K.R. Dakshayani. "Patients should be rushed to the casualty ward, which is near the entrance of K.R. Hospital and the doctors there will refer to this special ward," she said and added that the ward is monitored by Superintendent of K.R. Hospital Dr. H.P. Shobha, Head, Department of Ophthalmology Dr. Sathish and HoD of Plastic Surgery Dr. Mohan G. Kakola and other medical officers. No cases were reported till 7 pm on Sunday.

Dry Lab simulation in Laparoscopic suturing skills at Amritakripa Hospital

Mysuru, Nov. 13 - Amritakripa Charitable Hospital, managed by Mata Amritanandamayi Math, had organised a "Dry-Lab simulation in Laparoscopic suturing skill programme for General Surgeons and Gynaecologists" on Nov.4 and 5 at Amritakripa Hospital, Roopanagar.

Dr. Vikas Modi, Consultant Laparoscopic Surgeon and Director at Amritakripa Hospital, emphasised the importance of dry lab simulation in training for General Surgeon and Gynaecologist. This programme aims to provide surgeons with the necessary skills and expertise to perform laparoscopic suturing techniques effectively and safely.

First day was focused on basic suturing skills and 2nd day was for advanced suturing skills. The training was given by Prakash Babu, a master trainer in Laparoscopic suturing with experience of 25 years. Doctors from Mysuru Hospitals and Medical Colleges participated. Even surgeons from Kerala attended. Totally 20 experienced doctors participated each day in the training on advanced laparoscopic simulation equipment. Amritakripa Hospital plans to regularly conduct such programmes for the benefit of surgeons in Mysuru and nearby districts.

'The programme received positive feedback from the participating surgeons,' stated a press release from Br. Ramakrishnan, Amritakripa Charitable Hospital.

Maharani's College students urge CM, Higher Education Minister for more toilets

Mysuru, Nov. 13 (SPN&BS)- Demanding additional toilet facilities, students of Maharani's Women's Commerce and Management College, Vinayakanagar (Paduvarahalli) on Mysuru-Hunsur road in the city, staged a flash protest at the College campus recently.

The protesting students said "The Maharani's College building with 11 toilets was inaugurated six years ago, which was sufficient for the students then. Now, the toilets appear less compared to the increase in number of students, hence there is an emergent need for creating more toilet facilities."

The College has total 4,000 students pursuing Under Graduate and Post Graduate courses in Commerce, with 60 percent of the students belonging to rural areas. These students who start at 7 in the morning from their villages, face difficulty at times to use the toilets. The issue was also brought to the notice of Chief Minister Siddharamaiah and Higher Education Minister Dr. M.C. Sudhakar during their recent visit to College.

The College authorities are spending Rs. 70,000 per month from College Development Fund towards toilet maintenance. It includes salary of the cleaning staff and also the electricity bill. However, the fund allotted is too meagre considering the number of toilets, the students alleged.

The CM during his visit promised to lay foundation for two-storey building and also additional toilets, besides assuring to take a look into the demand of canteen facility, as the students from far away villages are facing difficulties in getting lunch from outside.

President of Students Union Gaganasri, General Secretary G. Pravalika, office-bearers Pooja, Soundarya, Deepika, Deepti Krishna and other students took part in the protest.

NEWS BRIEFS

Industrial Expo

Mysore Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI), in association with Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises-Development and Facilitation Office (MSME-DFO), Bengaluru, Ministry of MSME, is organising 'MSME Expo - Vendor Development Programme and Industrial Exhibition' on Nov. 23 and 24 at Sri Kempegowda Sports Complex, Vidyavardhaka College of Engineering (VVCE), Gokulam 3rd Stage, Mysuru. MCCI has earmarked about 80 stalls for micro and small manufacturing units, which will be allotted on a first come first serve basis. Last date for registration is Nov. 20. Those interested to showcase their products/ services, are requested to book the stall (10ft x10ft) through e-mail: *mccimysore@gmail.com* or Ph: 0821-4250246 or 96068-50246 (between 10 am and 6 pm), according to a press release from MCCI President K.B. Lingaraju and MSME Expo Chairman R.M. Srivatsa.

BJP postpones Bengaluru Rally

Shikaripur MLA B.Y. Vijayendra, son of former CM B.S. Yediyurappa, will take charge as the new State BJP President at the State BJP headquarters in Malleswaram, Bengaluru on Nov. 15. However, the rally, which was to follow the event at the Palace Grounds, has been postponed due to Assembly Polls in five States, in which top BJP leaders will be busy in campaigning. The State BJP leadership plans to hold a mega rally after Nov. 23 with the attendance of National BJP President J.P. Nadda and other National Leaders.

Cyber crime surge: 3,500 cases in Mysuru annually

Estimated money that is involved is Rs. 20 crore; MGP meeting throws light on menace

Mysuru, Nov. 13 (SPN&KS)- Cyber crimes are increasing due to lack of coordination among departments. It is difficult to break into the invincible fort of cyber crimes. Cyber crimes can be prevented only if people do not share their personal details with strangers. These were the suggestions given during the interaction with Cyber, Economic and Narcotics (CEN) Crime Police at the monthly meeting of Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP) held at its premises in Yadavagiri here yesterday.

Following an increase in cyber crimes, MGP had organised the meeting to discuss ways to prevent cyber crimes, during which CEN Sub-Inspector Anil Kumar shared some important information.

Replying to a question put forth by an MGP Member, Anil Kumar said that there are more than 3,500 cyber crime cases registered in the city annually, which are difficult to crack. The estimated money that is involved in 3,500 cases touch Rs. 20 crore. "Complaints pertaining to economic crimes are being registered at CEN Police Stations in the city and other districts. These cases are difficult to crack and the CEN Police are working hard to catch the accused," the SI added.

He further said that in most cases, people from Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Jharkhand, Bihar, Punjab, Haryana, and northern States are involved. "The kingpins of these crimes stay in huge apartments and other places leading a posh life. It is difficult to nab the accused from these places," he added.

"If a cyber crime is registered at the city's CEN Police Station, the link to the case will be in North India. When our Police visit that State, they should seek help from the jurisdictional Police to trace and nab the accused," Anil Kumar said besides providing information about non-clarity of law and legal issues in solving these crimes.

The SI further said that there are 20 staff in the city's CEN Police Station and added "Despite we work in city limits, only about 5 to 6 percent of cases are being solved."

People of all ages are targeted

Online fraudsters target people of all ages and professions by calling over the phone and introducing themselves by talking politely, Anil Kumar said, citing an example of victim Sathyaprakash, who had transferred Rs. 2 lakh to an online fraudster who had posed as an Army man. The SI also gave another example of another victim, who lost more than Rs. 50,000 after believing a message on Facebook.

Pointing out that many such cases come to light daily, he said that it has become a headache for the Police in solving such cases. In most cyber and economic crimes, people believe strangers and make online payments. It is only after a few days they realise that they have been duped. Anil Kumar added that lack of proper documents hampers their investigation. "When we write to a Bank and seek information about a particular case, we do not get correct information, which also delays the investigation."

Need to create awareness

To prevent cyber crimes, the CEN Police across the State, as part of the investigation, through media or by holding conferences create awareness. Importantly, people should come forward to control cyber crimes by not providing their Bank account details to strangers and should give only their bank account numbers for financial transactions to people known to them. They should not give any other details such as their Debit Card number, One Time Password (OTP), etc., to anyone. Most of the fraud calls come from abroad, Anil Kumar said.

Call Helpline number 1930

In case people come to know that they have been duped online, they should immediately call Helpline Number 1930 and lodge a complaint or visit the nearest Police Station and get an FIR registered, the SI suggested.

State Bank of India (SBI) retired Assistant General Manager (AGM) D.T. Venkatesh, CEN Police Station staff Shivakumar, MGP's Dr. Bhamy V. Shenoy, Prof. S. Shobhana, Venkatesh Kharidi, K. Sathyaprakash, V.S. Sathyaram, D.V. Dayanand Sagar, Vishwanath, Lakshman Kumar, Arun Kumar, H.L. Nagaraj, H.K. Praveenkumar, V. Vidyashankar, M.S. Rakesh, C.M.N. Purushotham, Nataraj, S.N. Shekar, B.S. Somashekar, M. Arjun, Prof. Jagannath, Shivananda Adiga, K. Banu Prashanth, G. Sridhar, B. Shivakumar, Anil Kumar, Mahantesh and others were present.

Student goes missing

Ananthakumar

Nanjangud, Nov. 13- A 15-year-old student, who went out of a residential school on Nov. 4 evening, has since gone missing. The missing student is Ananthakumar, son of Ramakrishna and Malathi couple of Puttegowdanahundi in the taluk.

He was pursuing 10th std. at JSS Residential School in Suttur. Based on the complaint from missing student's mother, Biligere Police, who have registered a case, are investigating. Those having any information about the missing student may contact Mysuru District Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2444800.

All India Co-operation Week from tomorrow

Mysuru, Nov. 13 (GA&DM)- The 70th All India Co-operation Week (Akhila Bharata Sahakara Saptaha) with the theme 'Chintana-Manthana' will take place from Nov. 14 to 20 in different taluks of the district.

Announcing this at a press meet here yesterday, District Co-operative Union President H.V. Rajeev said that the week will be celebrated under the guidance of Karnataka Co-operative Federation.

Pointing out the Co-operative Movement in the country began 119 years ago, he said the Co-operative sector has grown by leaps and bounds since then.

Noting that Mysuru district has as many as 2,523 Co-operative Societies, he said that the growth of these Societies will be discussed during the week. All Co-operative Societies have been asked to hoist the 7-colour Co-operative Flag atop their buildings during the week, he added.

"The 'Chintana Manthana' involves discussion on the role of Co-operative Societies in achieving the Five Trillion Dollar Economy. The other issues to be mainly discussed include sustainable developmental goals. The week-long event will begin with a programme at the District Co-operative Union auditorium in Mysuru on Nov. 14. The programme on Nov. 15 will take place at Adichunchanagiri Samudaya Bhavan in Chunchanakatte of K.R. Nagar taluk, on Nov. 16 at TAPCMS auditorium in T. Narasipur, on Nov. 17 at Shikshakara Bhavan in Hunsur, on Nov. 18 at Ambedkar Bhavan in Nanjangud, on Nov. 19 at Chittenahalli Primary Agricultural Credit Co-op. Society in Periyapatna taluk and on Nov. 20 at Namadhari Gowda Samudaya Bhavan in Saragur," Rajeev said.

Co-operative Union office-bearers Sadananda, Mahadevaswamy, Bhyrappa, Prashant Tatachar, Karnataka Institute of Co-operatives Mysuru (KICM) Mysuru Principal Chandrashekar and Acting CEO Vishweswaraiah were present at the press meet.

PM Modi celebrates Deepavali with security forces in Himachal

Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who was in Himachal Pradesh's Lepcha yesterday to celebrate Deepavali with security personnel, posing for a photo with the Jawans.

New Delhi, Nov. 13 (Agencies)- Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who was in Himachal Pradesh's Lepcha yesterday to celebrate Deepavali with security personnel, said for him, a place where Armymen are is no less than a temple.

The Prime Minister has made it a point to celebrate the festival with Soldiers every year. In 2014, the PM celebrated the festival of lights with Soldiers at the Siachen Glacier. In 2015, on the 50th anniversary of the 1965 war with Pakistan, Modi visited three Memorials in Punjab where the Indian Armed Forces had fought pitched battles that proved to be key to the country's victory.

In 2016, Modi travelled to Himachal Pradesh to meet the personnel of the Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP), the Dogra Scouts and the Army at Sumdoh near the China border.

Modi, in 2017, was in the Gurez sector in north Kashmir, while in 2018, he celebrated Diwali in Harsil, Uttarakhand, which was followed by a visit to Kedarnath.

After being re-elected to the high office in 2019, Modi celebrated Deepavali in Rajouri in Jammu and Kashmir. In 2020, he was at a border post of Longewala on Deepavali and in 2021, he celebrated the festival with Soldiers in Nowshera. The PM celebrated the festival with the Armed Forces in Kargil last year.

Addressing the Soldiers at Lepcha yesterday, Modi said the circumstances of the world are such that the expectations from India are constantly rising. "At such an important time, it is necessary that India's borders are protected and there is an environment of peace in the country and you have a big role in this," Modi, dressed in Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP) fatigues, said.

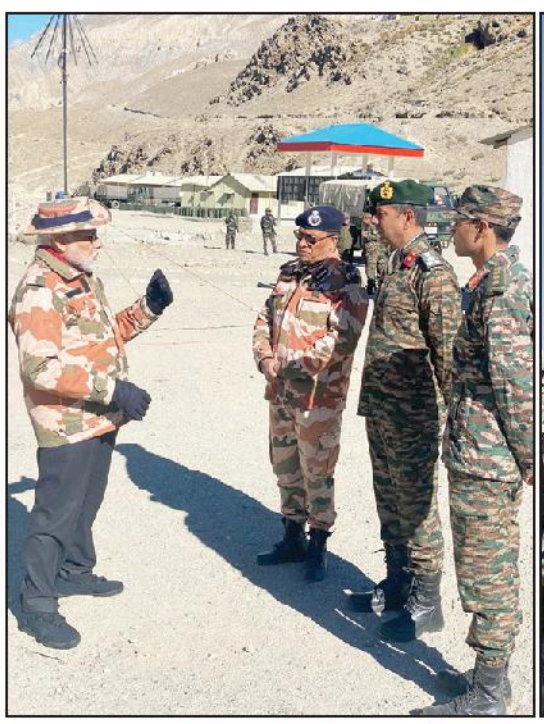
"India is protected till the time my bravehearts are standing on the borders like the Himalayas," the Prime Minister said.

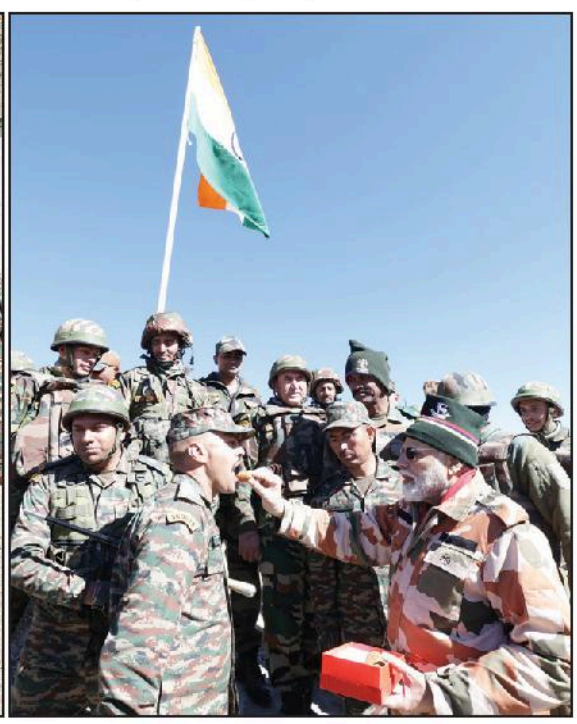
He added: "After Independence, these bravehearts (Army personnel) fought so many wars and won the country's heart... Our Jawans have snatched victory in the face of challenges."

"It is said that 'parv' is where the 'parivaar' is. On festivals, being away from the family and deployed on the borders exemplifies the commitment to duty... The country is indebted to you," Modi told the soldiers.

"Therefore, on Diwali, one 'diya' is for your safety, and in every prayer, people wish for your safety," the Prime Minister said. "Since 30-35 years, there has been no Diwali that I have not celebrated with you. When I was neither the PM nor the CM, I celebrated Diwali amongst you in border areas," Modi said.

Recalling his Government's approval to the permanent Commission for women, Modi said, "...In the past years, in the Indian Army, more than 500 women officers have been given a permanent Commission. Today, women Pilots are flying fighter planes like Rafale..."





Prime Minister Narendra Modi interacting with the Army personnel in Himachal Pradesh's Lepcha yesterday. Picture right shows the Prime Minister sharing sweets with the Soldiers.

Chinchani Mutt Seer passes away

Allamaprabhu Swamiji

Chikkodi, Nov. 13- Chikkodi taluk's Chinchani Sidda Samsthana Mutt Seer Allamaprabhu Swamiji (63), who was popularly known as 'Kannadada Swamiji' in local circles, passed away at KLE Hospital in Belagavi on Sunday following prolonged illness.

The Seer, who was indisposed for several months, was admitted to Belagavi Hospital on Saturday, where he passed away on Sunday after failing to respond to treatment.

Allamaprabhu Swamiji was known for propagating Hinduism and at the same time worked for the cause of Kannada in the border district.

His body was brought to Chinchani Mutt, where thousands of devotees paid their last respects to the departed Seer.

Later his mortal remains were sent to Shirol Mutt in Gadag district for the last rites, it is learnt.

He was first appointed as Shirol Mutt Seer in Naragund taluk of the now Gadag district in 1991 and subsequently headed the Chinchani Mutt after taking charge on July 1,1994.

Obituary

M.K. Veerappa

Mysuru, Nov. 13- M.K. Veerappa (78), a resident of Kuvempunagar, passed away this morning in city.

He leaves behind two daughters, one son and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at K.G. Koppal Burial Grounds this afternoon.

B. Gowramma

B. Gowramma (71), retired teacher and a resident of Snake Shyam Road in Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, passed away yesterday in city.

She leaves behind two sons, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at Chirashantidhama in Gokulam this afternoon.

Alhaj Shaikh Mohyuddin

Alhaj Shaikh Mohyuddin (80), a resident of Siddiqnagar, passed away following brief illness at a private hospital in city yesterday.

He leaves behind his son Alhaj Mohammed Huzaifa of Etihad Arabian Hotel and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza was held today after Zohar (2 pm) at Masjid-e-Khudadad, Darul Uloom Siddiqia in city, followed by the burial at the Muslim Burial Grounds near Tipu Circle.

Raniamma

Raniamma (65), a resident of Gayathripuram, passed away yesterday in city.

She leaves behind two sons, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at the family's farm land at Mahadevapura today.

Ronald F. Paes

Ronald F. Paes (67), a resident of Gandhinagar, passed away on Oct. 31 in city.

He leaves behind his wife, children, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral will be held at the Christian Cemetery on Mahadevapura Road in Gandhinagar on Nov. 15 at 4.30 pm.

Threatening driver and decamping with cash, car on Ring Road

Three arrested by Rural Police

Mysuru, Nov. 13 (BLU&KS)- Mysuru Rural Police have arrested three persons on charges of threatening a car driver with knife and making away with Rs. 16,000 cash and the car.

The accused are Muheen and Suhail Baig of Ghousianagar and Mohammed Shoaib of Raghavendranagar.

The accused had threatened the driver of a car parked near a private hotel on the Ring Road with a knife and had made away with cash, two mobile phones and the car.

The car driver had lodged a complaint with Mysuru Rural Police, who registered a case, conducted an operation, arrested the accused and recovered Rs. 24,850 cash besides seizing the two-wheeler used for the crime.

I am committed to Kodagu's growth, says A.S. Ponnanna, Virajpet MLA

Virajpet MLA Ajjikuttira S. Ponnanna and Founder-Editor of** Star of Mysore **and** Mysuru Mithra **Dr. Kalyatanda B. Ganapathy being felicitated by Kodava Samaja Cultural and Sports Club at the Kodava Samaja auditorium in Vijayanagar last evening as members of the Club, office-bearers and members of Kodava Samaja look on.

Mysuru, Nov. 13 (PM&BCT)- Ajjikuttira S. Ponnanna, Virajpet (Kodagu) MLA and legal advisor to the Chief Minister, said that he was committed to the comprehensive development of Kodagu, making it his responsibility.

He was speaking at the felicitation function organised in his honour and also in honour of Dr. Kalyatanda B. Ganapathy, recipient of Hon. Doctorate from the University of Mysore and Founder-Editor of *Star of Mysore* and *Mysuru Mithra,* at Kodava Samaja auditorium in Vijayanagar I Stage last evening. The event was organised by Kodava Samaja Cultural and Sports Club, Mysuru.

Outlining his vision for the district's progress, Ponnanna emphasised that in addition to his Virajpet Constituency, he would strive to work for the overall development of the entire district. The MLA stressed the importance of collaborative efforts, involving all sections of the people including those from the grassroots level. Ponnanna underscored the importance of people's mandate and the positive response from the government to achieve progress of the district within the democratic framework.

Seeking the co-operation of the Kodava community and other communities residing in Kodagu, as well as those with roots in the district, the MLA pledged to do his best for the district. He highlighted the historical role played by the people of Kodagu in being self-reliant in the matters of community service and infrastructure. He gave the example of many Kodava people donating their lands for constructing public buildings like schools and hospitals and also public water tanks and roads.

He said that 90 percent of the land where government buildings stand today in Kodagu were donated by the elders and ancestors. In fact, Kodavas never depended on the government and were self-reliant in all aspects. The community must continue self-reliance and be a model to the society, he said.

"People of Kodagu have elected me keeping aside all their political affiliations and many of my admirers have supported me forgetting my party affiliation. I am indebted to them and I am participating in all the events organised by associations and community organisations as I want to develop a non-political relationship with the people of Kodagu. Love and trust is important and it is beyond politics and politics is not permanent. I am here to gain your trust," A.S. Ponnanna said.

"When I came here to canvass during my election, I had made a couple of promises. I am committed to fulfil those promises by making honest efforts," he said.

The day-long event included the 19th Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) of Kodava Samaja Cultural and Sports Club in the morning, presided over by Club President Kuttimada D. Muthappa. The evening programme featured cultural activities, felicitation ceremony, ramp walk, dance and singing by members and a presentation by Kodava Knights Symphony.

On the occasion, former Presidents of Kodava Samaja Poyyetira S. Ganapathy, Kattera A. Kariappa and Balliamanda M Nanaiah were felicitated for their remarkable work in infrastructural development of the Samaja. Kariappa, however, could not attend as he is indisposed.

Former Presidents of Kodava Samaja Cultural and Sports Club Machimada P. Nanaiah, Mullengada A. Kuttappa, Mechanda M. Karumbaiah and Puchimada K. Somaiah were also felicitated for their commendable work ever since the Club was established in 2002.

Chemira Thanisha Changappa, who received 16 gold medals in M.Tech. Urban Regional Planning, during the Convocation of the University of Mysore on Oct. 18, was also felicitated by the Club.

Kodava Samaja President Ponjanda A. Ganapathy, Vice-President Machimada P. Nanaiah, President of Kodagu Sahakara Sangha A.C. Nanjamma (Chambanda), President of Shree Kaveri Kodagu Mahila Sangha Ponjanda Lovely Appaiah, Sree Cauvery Educational Institutions Chairman Meriyanda Naveen Chandra, Kodava Samaja Cultural and Sports Club Hon. Secretary Mechanda S. Bopanna, Vice-President Mederira K. Prakash, Joint Secretary Nagachettira Niran Uthappa, Treasurer Aramanamada M. Ponnanna, Club Committee Members Kottangada A. Pemmaiah, Mundottira C. Kaveen Kushalappa, Mandira T. Ramesh Poonacha, Kottangada Pradeep and Alameda Ponnanna, Corporator Maletira U. Subbaiah, Executive Director of Academy Newspapers Private Limited (publishers of *Star of Mysore* and *Mysuru Mithra*) Kalyatanda Ralie Ganapathy, former Vice-Chancellor of Central University, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh Prof. Kambeyanda C. Belliappa, Sri Bhagavathy Kodava Souhardha Sahakara Sangha President Palandira Somanna, Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa Fans Association President Nayakanda M. Thimmaiah and others were present.

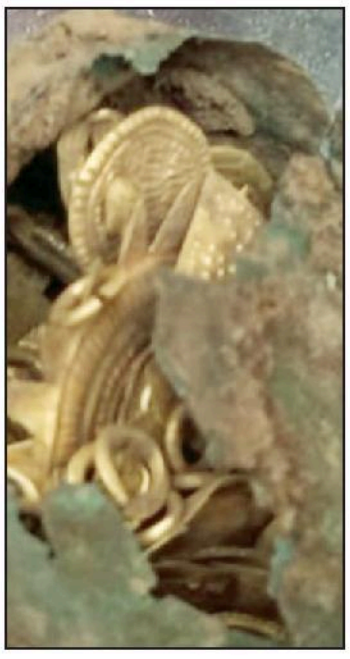
Bygone era gold treasure unearthed in Kodagu

Siddapura, Nov. 13 (BCT)- In a stunning discovery, a trove of ancient gold, silver jewellery, and metal artefacts has been unearthed at Anandapura village on the main road of Siddapura in Kodagu district.

The remarkable find is located at the ancient Ishwara Temple, nestled within the Tata Coffee Estate in Anandapura village, falling under the Ammathi Gram Panchayat limits. Workers, involved in construction and pit digging yesterday, chanced upon an array of ancient artefacts, including gold and silver ornaments, ancient gold coins, rings, small crowns, and metal pieces shaped like the sun, reminiscent of bygone eras.

The Temple, dating back to ancient times, is situated within the Tata Coffee Estate, and the discovery occurred during the construction of a compound wall. While digging, workers unearthed two old boxes containing the ornaments and metal objects.

The estate manager was informed and the Police were alerted. Following the information, the Siddapura Police, along with the Tahsildar's team, including Deputy Tahsildar Pradeep and Ammathi Gram Panchayat Revenue Inspector Anil Kumar, conducted a thorough inspection at the site.



Subsequently, the uncovered artifacts were handed over to the Virajpet Tahsildar for further investigation. Anticipating their transfer to the Archaeological Department, a detailed examination is expected to reveal the age of these artefacts, providing insights into the historical significance of these precious items.

The gold ornaments have sparked considerable interest. According to the Police and Revenue Department officers, the weight of the ornaments was initially estimated to be around 900 grams. However, upon weighing at the Virajpet Treasury, the total weight was recorded as 1 kg and 150 grams.

Deputy Tahsildar Pradeep mentioned that the confirmation of whether the ornaments are made of gold is still pending.

The articles will be handed over to the Archaeology Department through the Deputy Commissioner (DC).

Kodagu Superintendent of Police (SP) Ramarajan said that systematic procedures in line with rules have been followed, and permission from the Court will be sought before transferring the treasures to the Archaeology Department.

Illegal waste dumping persists on Ring Road

Mysuru, Nov. 13 (RK&BCT)- Despite repeated awareness campaigns, cleaning initiatives, and the threat of penalties, waste and construction debris continue to plague the Ring Road in Mysuru.

The problem is exacerbated by a lack of awareness and understanding regarding the detrimental effects of such dumping. Many individuals remain oblivious to the environmental and public health consequences of their actions.

While laws prohibit the dumping of waste in public spaces, enforcement is lacking, often reduced to political assurances without tangible action. Along the 43.5-km Ring Road, residents find it more convenient to dump waste illegally than to dispose of it properly. Observing others engage in this behaviour further perpetuates the problem.

Areas like Pushpashrama in Naidu Nagar to Old Kesare Road till the Bannur Junction, between the Ring Road and the service roads, Narayana Hrudayalaya near Devanur Lake, Kamanakerehundi Road, NURM apartments, Srirampura to R.T. Nagar, Royal Inn Junction to Hinkal and Hinkal to Bogadi are prone to garbage dumping.

At several service roads like Srirampura to R.T. Nagar, Royal Inn Junction to Hinkal and Hinkal to Bogadi where numerous bars, liquor shops, dhabas and restaurants are located, people drink and eat in their vehicles by the side of the road and dump the waste at the spot before leaving the place. This has contributed to the increase of waste.

Certain areas, particularly the service roads of the Ring Road, have become hotspots for garbage and construction debris disposal by both individuals and businesses. Concerned residents are urging the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) to install CCTV cameras along the Ring Road to catch and penalise violators.

The lack of dedicated garbage dumps in nearby villages, including Belavatta, Sathagalli, Hinkal, Koorgali, Bogadi, Srirampura, Hosahundi, Hanchya, Alanahalli, and Siddalingapura, exacerbates the issue.

Residents complain that despite garbage collection services reaching every household in the mornings, residents continue to dump waste along the Ring Road, tarnishing the environment.

Previous campaigns by the MCC have yielded temporary results, only to see waste dumping resume once the campaigns conclude. The burning of garbage adds to the woes, creating a nightmarish experience during the summer months.

MP greets new BJP State Chief

Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha greeting newly appointed BJP State President B.Y. Vijayendra with a bouquet at the latter's residence in Bengaluru yesterday.

Obituary

Achakalera P. Ponnappa

Mysuru, Nov. 13 - Achakalera P. Ponnappa (72), a resident of Bogadi 2nd Stage (South), passed away this morning in city. He leaves behind his daughter Mukkatira Hema Vikas, son-in-law Vikas Thammaiah, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at Mukthidhama in Vijayanagar 4th Stage this evening.

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JSS Polytechnic students excel in Athletics, Tennis Ball Cricket

The students of JSS Polytechnic for the Differently Abled, Mysuru, have won 7 first prizes, 5 second prizes and 1 third prize in Athletics Division in the "44th State-level Inter-Polytechnic Sports Meet" jointly organised by the Department of Technical Education, Government of Karnataka and Government CPC Polytechnic on Nov.2 and 3 at Chamundi Vihar Stadium in city. The prize winners are seen with H.N. Mahadevaswamy, Physical Education Teacher, B. Elangovan, Principal, N.M. Shivakumaraswamy SI.Gr. Lecturer and N.P. Mahesh, Instructor, Department of JDT. Picture right shows the students of JSS Polytechnic for the Differently Abled, Mysuru, who won Winner's Trophy in the 2nd Mysore District Deaf T20 Tennis Ball Cricket Championship 2023 conducted by the Mysuru District Deaf Association, Mysuru, on Nov.5 at SJCE, Mysuru.

State-level Karate Tourney in city on Nov. 15, 16

Mysuru, Nov. 13- The Department of School Education (Pre-University), Mysuru, in association with Vijaya Vittala PU College, have organised a State-level Karate Tournament at Gymnasium Hall, University of Mysore, on Nov. 15 and 16.

R. Vasudev Bhat, Hon. Secretary of VVEI, will inaugurate the Tournament on Nov. 15 at 6.30 pm. Sindhu B. Roopesh, Director, Department of School Education (PU), will preside over the function. Dr. C.G. Ramesh, Assistant Director, Sports Section, Department of School Education (PU), Bengaluru, will be the chief guest.

M. Mariswamy, DDPUE, Mysuru, Dr. T.R. Siddaraju, Senior Principal and A.L. Umesh, Hon. President of District Government Employees Association, M.M. Mahadeva, President of Mysuru District PU College Lecturers Association, will be present on the occasion.

Prize distribution function will be held on Nov. 16 at 7 pm at the same venue. K.N. Prasad, Trustee of VVEI, will preside over the function. Dr. C. Venkatesh, Director, Department of Physical Education, University of Mysore, will distribute the prizes. CA Vishwanatha, Trustee of VVEI, S. Somashekar, Senior Principal, A.C. Manjegowda, Secretary of Mysuru District PU College Lecturers Association, will be present on the occasion.

More than 650 Karatekas from various districts of Karnataka are expected to participate in the two-day event.

Winners of State-level 7A - Football

JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru, which won the 7A - Football match.

Mysuru, Nov. 13- Commemorating its 'Golden Jubilee,' JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru, had organised an All-Karnataka State-level Sports Event, involving Volleyball and 7A - Football, sponsored by Oil and Natural Gas Corporation of India, Karnataka Government Pharmacy Officers Association and JSS Alumni B. Pharm (2005 -2009) Class, recently.

The sports event was inaugurated by Srikanth Rao, Chairman, Technical Committee, Roller Skating Association, Karnataka.

In the final 7A - Football match, JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru, won the trophy with Vidyavardhaka College of Engineering (VVCE), Mysuru, winning second place. JSS College of Arts and Commerce, Ooty Road, won the volleyball match with SJCE, Mysuru, bagging second place.

Dr. T.M. Pramod Kumar, Principal, Dr. G.V. Pujar, Vice-Principal and Divya Shree, Assistant Administrative Officer, Dr. J. Suresh, Head and Professor, Dr. Y.H. Yogish Kumar, Lecturer and Sports Co-ordinator, Dr. M.S. Srikanth, Lecturer, Dr. U.R. Rakshith, Lecturer, Dr. N.D. Siddartha, Sports Co-ordinator, Lokeshappa, Physical Director, Teaching and Non-Teaching Staff coordinated the event.

City's MMA coach to lead team India at World Championships

Mysuru, Nov. 13- MMA veteran coach of city M.N. Vikram is appointed as the Team Leader and Head Coach of the Indian MMA contingent for 2023 Junior and Senior IMMAF World Championships taking place in Tirana, the capital city of Albania, between Nov. 19 and 25.

The appointment was made by the National Federation, MMA India recently. This is the 5th time Kru. Vikram has been chosen as the Head Coach for team India.

Previously he has helmed Indian Team to Bahrain, Serbia, Dubai, Abu Dhabi and Tajikistan.

The World Championship is sanctioned by IMMAF and hosted by Albanian MMA Federation.

The event is expected to play host for more than 500 MMA athletes from over 45 countries.

M.N. Vikram

The 16-member Indian team is scheduled to travel to Tirana on Nov. 18 from Mumbai along with the Federation President Sharif Bapu, Secretary Prasad Gaitonde and Regulatory Affairs Director Kevin Alfred David.

Kru. Vikram is the Founder-Director of city's Academy of Martial Science and IMMAF Youth Commission Member.

Excels in National Meet

Mysuru, Nov. 13- **Abhnigyan Anil Gowda,** a 10th std. student of The Orchids Public School, Bogadi Road, Kumarabeedu, Mysuru, stood 5th in the National-level Athletic Meet at All India-level CBSE U-17 High Jump competition held at Raipur in Chattisgarh.

Earlier, he had won a silver medal in CBSE State-level held at Davangere. He is the son of T.U. Anil and Anishka, both National-level medallists in athletics.

Medal-winner in athletics

Mysuru, Nov. 13- **P. Gowtham,** a Class 10 student of Rotary MSECT, the ACME School, Nivedithangar, Mysuru, has clinched Gold Medal in High Jump, 200 mts Running Race and got Silver Medal in Long Jump at the District-Level School Sports Competitions conducted by the Department of Public Instructions at Chamundi Vihar Stadium on Nov. 8. He also got Individual Championship and has been qualified for State-level. Gowtham is the son of K. Papanna and M. Sujatha.

Child prodigy Srihari Uliyaru shines bright as Harikatha artiste

Children's Day celebrated on Nov. 14 every year is an occasion to provide the platform for extraordinary talents who have been relentlessly pursuing their interest with zeal. Srihari Acharya Uliyaru is one such child prodigy, who at the age of 14, has carved a niche career on his own as 'Harikatha' artiste.

Hailing from Uliyaru in Udupi district, Srihari Acharya Uliyaru is born into an artistic family as his father G. Vaasudeva Uliyaru, an employee of a private company in Mysuru is also a renowned "Mysore traditional painting" and "oil painting" artist, whose creativity has adorned hundreds of canvases. His mother, Veena, herself an art enthusiast, stands as a pillar of support.

Srihari's sister Srilalitha Uliyaru is also an artiste who has been captivating audiences with her harikatha performances for over 18 years, with more than 350 concerts within and outside the State to her credit.

As a kid, Srihari found solace in the tunes of classical music, especially those of Sri Vidyabhushan and other illustrious singers. His musical journey officially commenced at the age of 7 when he received "kaladeekshe" at his Upanayanam (sacred thread) ceremony from the renowned artiste Dr. C.A. Shridahra, a distinguished musician and flautist.

Srihari's fascination with percussion instruments led him to learn tabla at a young age. He learnt tabla under the tutelage of Vid. Dundayya and is currently learning with Pandit Bhimashankar Bidanuru.

Simultaneously, he is mastering the keyboard under the tutelage of Vid. Purushottam He mastered various talas and even accompanied tabla in his sister's numerous harikatha programmes, leaving the audiences spellbound. His talent did not go unnoticed as he was featured in interviews by platforms like "Mysuru Akashvani" and other leading electronic and print media showcasing his exceptional skills.

Influenced by his sister Srilalitha, Srihari also started practicing harikatha and together, the brother sister duo embarked on the journey of "Dwandwa Harikatha."

He (Srihari) made his debut by presenting a Harikatha concert on "Dasa Shreshta Purandara Dasaru" at Sri Krishnadhama, Saraswathipuram in the city. He also continued his Dwandwa harikatha performances at prominent stages such as Udupi Shri Krishna Mutt, the baby shower event of actress Disha Madan in Bengaluru, Solapur, Nandikur Durga Parameshwari Temple and several other places in Mysuru and Bengaluru.

Not just tabla, Srihari also explored other percussion instruments like chande and mridanga. His passion for music expanded further when he delved into the realm of keyboards, displaying an astonishing ability to play songs by understanding ragas and notes within just six months of starting to learn the instruments. He is also practicing Karnatak classical music, enriching his musical repertoire.

He is also proficient in various art forms such as singing, mandala painting, kathakali painting, pencil sketches, quilling art and craftwork with beads.

Srihari has delved into the world of Vedas, learning Veda Vidya by taking upadesha from Sri Vidyashreesha Theertha Swamiji at Vyasatirtha Vidyapeetha, Vyasaraja Mutt in Mysuru. His Vedic recitations and singing at 'Mantralaya Ashtavadhana Seva' cast a spell on the devotees at Raghavendra Mutt.

He completed junior-grade Karnatak music under the mentorship of Ranjini. Furthermore, Srihari continues his Vedic education under the expert guidance of Vid. Krishnakumar Acharya and Karthik Acharya.

A student of eighth grade at Vanitha Sadana School, Jayanagar in the city, Srihari is also fortunate to receive encouragement from the management for his cultural endeavours.

Srihari presenting Harikatha along with his sister Srilalitha Uliyaru.

Cultural feast this weekend

Vid. Rajagopal

Vid. Arjun

Dr. Ranjani

Yashavant

Mysuru, Nov. 13- Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha is giving a cultural feast to the Rasikas this weekend with variety of programmes.

On Nov. 16 at 6 pm, Smt. Rukmini Ammal & Sri Ramaswamy Iyengar Memorial Concert sponsored by their children will be a vocal concert by **Vid. Rajagopal Bhagavat** accompanied by Vidu. C.V. Shruti on violin, Vid. P.S. Sridhar on mridanga and V.S. Ramesh on morching.

Vid. Rajagopal Bhagavat is a renowned teacher and performer from Davanagere. Born to Sharada and Shripati Bhagavat, he is married to Poornima. Initially he had musical training with Vid. H. Venkataramu from Chitradurga, further under Vid. Sringeri H.S. Nagaraj. He learnt Hindustani under H.M. Shivakumar Swamy, Davanagere and is presently learning from P. Venkanna Bhat Joshi, Davanagere. He is a seasoned organiser, involved with half a dozen Sabhas and Trusts. He is a regular concert performer all over the State and has won many titles and accolades from prestigious Sabhas.

On Nov. 18 for Savitramma Raghavendra Rao Memorial Programme sponsored by Raghavendra Rao, at 6 pm, Dhanya will present Devaranama and at 6.30 pm, Gamaka 'Sitaapaharana' from *Sri Ramayana Darshanam* by Kuvempu - Vyakhyaana by **Vid. Arjun Bharadwaj** and Vaachana by Dr. **Ranjani Vasuki.**

Vid. Arjun Bharadwaj is a renowned scholar, writer and researcher. Apart from having Masters Degree in Engineering & Samskrita, he is well-versed with Kannada, English, Greek and German languages. An ardent proficient in Literature, Arts & Vedanta, he has authored many books, translation and research articles. Presently he is Co-editor for an e-version of 'Preksha' newsletter. He has translated *Vachana Bharata* of A.R. Krishna Satry, *Kavya Meemamse* of DVG, *Kavithegondu Kathe* by Dr. Shatavadhani R. Ganesh to English and *Yaana* & *Nirakarane* of Dr. S.L. Bhyrappa to English as well to German. Collection and translation of *Sangita Darpana*, a 400-year-old book related to music and dance. He has also authored 'Nayana - Savana' along with Dr. Shatavadhani Ganesh and Greek Epics. He has also delivered lectures on Vastu Science and Sculptural Aesthetics.

A rare artiste, **Dr. Ranjani Vasuki** has a wonderful voice which can traverse in all three octaves with ease. Mother Sangita Choodamani Dr. Nagavalli Nagaraj, a well-known name in both classical music and gamaka, is her Guru. Her great grandfather is Kolathur Ramakrishna Sastry who has composed kritis in all 72 Melakartha Ragas. She has come out with 100% marks in Vidwat. She has completed her Masters in Music with gold medals from Bangalore University. She has got her Doctorate for her thesis on gamaka. She has performed nationally & internationally and has won many awards. She has also authored many articles on music and gamaka.

On Nov. 19 at 6 pm, Smt. D. Ramabai Govinda Rao Memorial Programme sponsored by Dr. Jagannath Shenoy for Smt. D. Ramabai Charitable Trust.

A one-man humorous stage play 'Raashi Chakra' by Dr. Yashwant Serdeshpande (Original Script by Sharad Upadhya; Translated to Kannada by Vivek Katarki).

Yashavant Sirdeshpande is an actor, director, producer and writer in Kannada theatre, television and silver screen. Diploma holder in theatre arts from Ninasam and specialised course in drama/ cinema writing from Tisch School, New York University, USA, Sirdeshpande heads Guru Institute, Hubballi, a non-profit cultural organisation from Karnataka. Adi Ranga Theatres is a cultural complex built by him in Hubballi. He also represents Gurubala Entertainers, Bengaluru, a production house.

He is known for witty writing, noted film 'Rama Shama Bhama' and 'Amrita Dhare' script was written by Sirdeshpande which won a State Award for him.

Till date, he has acted, written, translated, directed and produced over 100 dramas. Nearly 6,000 shows are staged all over the State and abroad. He played a key role in organising many international cultural festivals. As a columnist in noted Dailies of Karnataka, he has penned more than 2,000 articles. Eight books are published and four are under print. He has been awarded the Rajyotsava Award, Aryabhata Award, etc. for his significant contribution to the Kannada cultural field. Recently he was awarded an Honorary Doctorate from Karnataka Folklore University.

Sirdeshpande is married to Malati, who is also a noted actress in theatre, television and cinema.

WORD OF THE DAY

Suffuse

Pronunciation: suh-FYOOZ.
Meaning: To suffuse something is to spread over it or fill it, either literally or figuratively. The word suffuse is usually encountered in literary contexts.
Origin: The Latin word suffendere, ancestor to suffuse by way of Latin suffūsus, has various meanings that shed light on our modern word, among them "to pour on or in (as an addition)" and "to fill with a liquid, colour, or light that wells up from below." It's no surprise, then, that suffuse refers to the action of fluid or light spreading over or through something, as when light fills a dark room when you crack open a door. Suffundere is a blend of the prefix sub- ("under" or "beneath") and the verb fundere ("to pour" or "to send forth"). Other English verbs related to fundere continue the theme of pouring or spreading: diffuse ("to pour out and spread freely"), effuse ("to pour or flow out"), transfuse ("to cause to pass from one to another"), and the verb fuse itself when it's used to mean "to meld or join."
Example: "How to work, what to work on, assessing what's been made. These are questions that suffuse every artist's career. They start with nothing, mostly without being asked & sail into unknown with a passion to make something."—Margaret Heffernan, The Guardian (London), 23 Apr. 2023.

THE ODD WORD

Saeculum

Astronomical or geological age.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Strike out

Meaning: To 'Strike out' means to fail at something.
Origin: Though many believe that the origin of the idiom "Strike out" comes from the late 1800s when American baseball was first becoming popular and "striking out" referred to the failure of a batter to put the baseball in play. The term actually has its roots in the early 1500s, when it was used as a term describing the act of cancelling or erasing.
Example: "Last semester, my assignment was perfect, but I struck out this time."

QUOTE BOX

Music should strike fire from the heart of man, and bring tears from the eyes of woman. **—Ludwig van Beethoven**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Answer: Square accounts.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Go by
5 Hairdo of the dark continent?
9 Deep hole
12 Bhajan maestro __ Jalota
13 They could be black, green or iced
14 Eggs in line, you might say
15 Veni, Vidi, ____ : I came, I saw, I conquered?
16 Capital of Chad
18 Jazz singer Laine
20 Inuit canoe
21 Cool down
23 Singe
25 Even, contracted by a poet ?
26 Beginning at
28 In short, it is a measure of your car speed
32 Sys. and Research Centre
33 Foreman foe
34 Battery size
35 Abolished Indian custom
37 Overrule, forbid
39 Ben ___ : Oscar winning movie ?
40 Obligatory payments
42 Biblical hymn
44 Overcharge - slang usage
47 Memo starter
48 Become involved (4,4)
51 South African currency
54 Paki spy group
55 Cube inventor Rubik
56 Mine opening
57 Went quickly by foot
58 Measure of sheets of paper
59 Lining rind of oranges

DOWN

1 Vada ___ : Mumbai's favourite snack
2 A type or breed of cuckoo
3 Abbreviated, brief or terse
4 Tumble or splash
5 ___ ___ cost : free ? (2,2)
6 __ up: bored and tired
7 British rule in India
8 City in Japan
9 Quarry
10 St. Columba's island in Scotland
11 "Take" turned to wood?
17 On your ___, get, set, go?
19 Santa's helper
21 Tax
22 Queen of Mount Olympus, in Greek Mythology
23 Under surfaces of feet or parts of shoes, etc.
24 Send out
27 Talk wildly
29 Major south Indian river
30 One of the Apostles
31 Damage
36 Doing nothing
38 Choose
41 Situated above
43 Belt, thong or leash
44 Disturbance
45 Spanish home
46 Similar
47 Particle
49 `Were' in the present tense
50 Genetic inits.
52 Louse egg
53 Cable TV alternative

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

Z	E	U	S	■	R	H	E	A	■	C	A	N
E	D	G	E	■	E	E	L	S	■	R	Y	A
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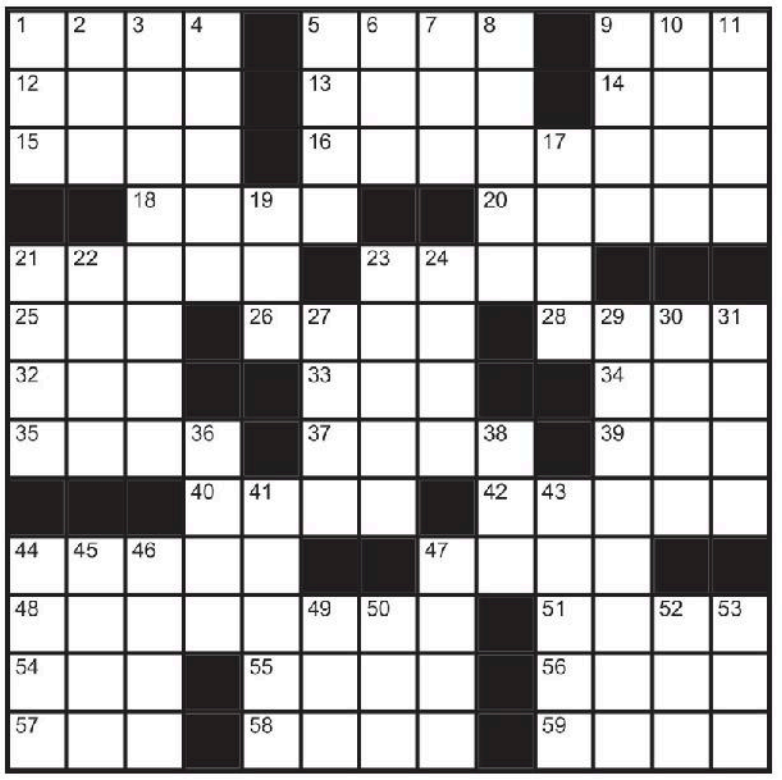

SUDOKU

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6					9			3
2		7		1			4	
			2		3			
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	2	6	9			8		
					6			

Answer to previous puzzle

7	1	8	6	5	3	4	9	2
5	2	6	4	7	9	8	3	1
4	3	9	8	2	1	5	7	6
3	6	5	2	1	4	7	8	9
1	8	4	7	9	5	6	2	3
9	7	2	3	8	6	1	4	5
6	5	7	9	4	2	3	1	8
8	9	3	1	6	7	2	5	4
2	4	1	5	3	8	9	6	7

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

EMWMBYZMBY QW CQLM KEQBLQBR GUQWUB VBK

PVQYQBR SUE YTM UYTME GMEWUB YU KQM.

TODAY'S CLUE: R EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Success is not the result of spontaneous combustion. You must set yourself on fire.

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		7.00 pm, 9.55 pm
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	(S-3)	1.20 pm
Ghost (K)	(S-2)	10.10 am
Jigarthanda Double X (Ta)	(S-2)	1.00 pm, 6.50 pm
Raid (Ta)	(S-2)	4.25 pm
Japan (Ta)	(S-3)	10.15 am, 4.00 pm, 7.00 pm
Bandra (Ma)	(S-3)	10.00 pm
The Marvels (E-3D)	(S-4)	8.30 am, 10.45 am, 1.05 pm
		3.25 pm, 5.40 pm
		7.55 pm, 10.15 pm

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		7.20 pm, 9.30 pm
Japan (Ta)	:	1.05 pm, 4.20 pm, 9.30 pm
Ala Ninnu Cheri (Te)	:	1.30 pm
Ghost (K)	:	4.30 pm
Jigarthanda Double X (Ta)	:	6.15 pm, 9.30 pm
Leo (Ta)	:	9.30 pm

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		6.55 pm, 10.30 pm
Garadi (K)	:	8.30 am, 12.05 pm, 3.50 pm, 10.15 pm
Japan (Ta)	:	9.00 am, 12.15 pm, 6.45 pm, 9.30 pm
The Marvels (E)	:	10.00 am, 12.30 pm, 3.00 pm
		5.30 pm, 8.00 pm, 10.30 pm
Tagarupalya (K)	:	11.15 am, 7.25 pm, 10.30 pm
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Bandra (Ma)	:	3.30 pm, 10.00 pm

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Japan (Ta)	:	8.10 am, 11.55 am, 3.00 pm
		6.45 pm, 9.50 pm
Jigarthanda Double X (Ta)	:	8.20 am, 11.25 am, 3.10 pm
		6.15 pm, 10.00 pm
Garadi (K)	:	11.25 am, 6.10 pm, 9.45 pm
The Marvels (E-3D)	:	11.30 am, 2.00 pm
		4.30 pm, 7.00 pm, 9.30 pm
Vela (Ma)	:	3.00 pm

Philately Club at Vijaya Vittala

Student members of Philately Club at Vijaya Vittala Vidyashala seen with chief guest Dr. Angel Raj, BDS - IPOS, Senior Superintendent of Post Offices, Mysuru Division; Dr. Suresh Kumar, Marketing Executive, Mysuru Postal Division; R. Vasudev Bhat, Hon. Secretary, Vijaya Vittala Educational Institutions; S.A. Veena, Principal and N. Rupa, Teacher In-charge of Philately Club.

Mysuru, Nov. 13- Dr. Angel Raj, BDS - IPOS, Senior Superintendent of Post Offices, Mysuru Division, inaugurated the Philately Club at Vijaya Vittala Vidyashala in Saraswathipuram here on Nov. 9. Speaking on the occasion, she underscored the educational and cultural importance of stamp collection. She encouraged the students to explore the world of stamps as a unique and educational hobby.

She advised them to invest their precious time in developing and enriching the hobby that they enjoy. It not only gives them joy but also propels them towards their goals. She praised the School's initiative to establish the Philately Club and offered her support for its growth.

Club members elaborated on their mission to promote the hobby of stamp collection and the rich historical and cultural knowledge that philately imparts.

R. Vasudev Bhat, Hon. Secretary of Vijaya Vittala Educational Institutions, in his presidential address, encouraged the students to make the most of this enriching experience.

Chief guest Dr. Angel Raj, who distributed certificates and stamps to Club members, also honoured the School with a certificate of appreciation for promoting philately among students.

The event was a testament to the School's commitment to holistic education, where students are encouraged to explore their interests and broaden their horizons through extracurricular activities like philately.

S.A. Veena, School Principal; Sunil S. Halapeti, Deputy Superintendent, Mysuru Postal Division; Dr. Suresh Kumar, Marketing Executive, Mysuru Postal Division and the Club members were present on the occasion.

EVENTS TODAY (NOV. 13)

- **Sri Veerabhadreshwaraswamy and Sri Chamarajeshwaraswamy Temple Trust:** Karthika Masa Special Puja Mahotsava, Prakarada Utsava, Mahamangalarati, Mahaprasada Viniyoga, Temple premises, D. Banumaiah's Road, K.R. Mohalla, **7 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (NOV. 14)

- **Mysore Medical College and Research Institute (MMC&RI):** Centenary year celebrations, Medical Exhibition, Library Hall building, ground floor of MMC&RI, Irwin Road, **10 am to 5 pm.** [Entry is free]
- **Sri Raghavendraswamy Seva Samiti (Sr Raghavendraswamy Mutt):** Discourse on 'Upanishad' by Vid. Sri Kheda Vedavyasachar, Mutt premises, Jayalakshmipuram, **5 pm to 6.30 pm.**
- **Gayana Sabha, Mysuru:** Hindustani Classical Music Concert by Vidu. Paulami Pethe Deshmukh from Pune, accompanied by Pt. Veerabhadraiah Hiremath on harmonium and Ramesh Dhannur on tabla, Kalpa Kshetra Auditorium, 581/1, Vijayanagar 4th Stage, 1st Phase, **6 pm.**
- **Ganabharathi and Vidu. Nandini Eswer's Raasavrunda:** Nartanan Namana - 'Nartanadalli Adhyatma' (Spirituality in Dance) in memory of the Gurus, Lalitha Dorai, Pt. Tirathram 'Azad' Sharma, Pt. Y.N. Simha and Guru Valmiki Banerjee; dance is Choreographed by Vid. Nandini Eswer and Directed by Dr. Rohitha Eswer, Assistant Direction by Vid. Nityashree Shetty and Vid. Chinmayee Bharadwaj, Performing Artists are Rohitha Eswer, Nityashree Shetty, Chinmayee Bharadwaj, M.S. Sanjana, M.A. Anisha, L. Kundanika, Pranathi Bharadwaj, G.S. Pratiksha, N. Rohitha, M. Keerthana, N. Pramashree and N. Harini, Veene Seshanna Bhavana, Adichunchanagiri Road, Kuvempunagar, **6.30 pm.**

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The Marvels (E-3D)	(S-1)	9.55 am
	(S-4)	5.30 pm, 8.00 pm, 10.30 pm
Tiger 3 (H)	(S-2)	8.40 am, 12 noon, 3.20 pm
		6.40 pm, 10.00 pm
	(S-3)	9.20 am, 12.40 pm, 4.20 pm
Japan (Ta)	(S-1)	7.05 pm; (S-4) 10.40 am
Jigarthanda Double X (Ta)	(S-1)	3.30 pm; (S-4) 1.55 pm

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		10.20 pm
The Marvels (E-3D)	:	10.00 am, 12.30 pm, 3.00 pm
		5.30 pm, 8.00 pm, 10.30 pm
Jigarthanda Double X (Ta)	:	10.15 am, 1.50 pm, 5.25 pm,
		6.45 pm, 9.00 pm
Naa Kolikke Ranga (K)	:	1.15 pm
Vasanthakalada Hoogalu (K)	:	4.05 pm

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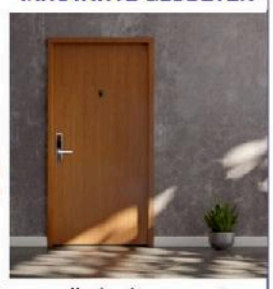

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